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U.S. DROPS LASER BOMBS ON HANOI SUPPLY DEPOTS

SAIGON (AP). — U.S. Air Force jets swept over Hanoi and wrecked two 35-acre army supply depots in the southern sector of the North Vietnamese capital, smashing at least 13 warehouses and piles of supplies with laser-guided bombs, U.S. military spokesmen announced yesterday.

More than 30 of the 2,000-lb. bombs were beamed onto the Hanoi warehouse facility and Hanoi Army Supply Depot No. 1 in the first strikes on the two targets since the resumption of full-scale bombing last April 6, U.S. officials said.

Less than 20 Air Force Phantom jets from three 7th Fleet carriers also launched heavy strikes in the Hanoi-Haiphong heartland, attacking shipyards, fuel depots, warehouses, bridges and supply trucks. The Navy said also it had no immediate reports of any of its planes being downed.

North Vietnam charged that the raids inside Hanoi and in surrounding provinces killed and wounded "a great number" of civilians and destroyed many economic and cultural establishments.

Hanoi claimed that seven U.S. planes were shot down. It said the pilot of a Navy F3 Crusader was captured but did not identify him. It made no mention of the fate of the other crewmen.

"Not so," said one U.S. official replying to the charges made by the North Vietnamese Foreign Ministry. He said Air Force pilots hitting inside Hanoi reported that the laser-guided bombs were "right on target" as they hit the supply depots.

The Air Force claimed that the

laser-guided bombs fell within 15 metres of the target. Spokesmen acknowledged, however, that there is still the possibility of error if pilots firing their laser guns place the beam that guides the bombs in the wrong spot, either because they are disrupted by Communist fire or unable to see clearly because of overcast skies.

"If civilians were working in the army depots and in the areas that were hit, there probably were casualties because the bombs went in right on target," one U.S. official said. But he repeated a U.S. command statement that civilian areas are not being targets.

WAR MATERIAL
 The 7th Air Force said, "The targets were struck as part of the continuing effort to stem the flow of war material to North Vietnamese troops in the south."

Navy pilots from the carrier Midway, striking in the Hanoi area, wrecked a bridge 20 kms. south of the North Vietnamese capital with a 2,000-lb. "Fat Albert" video bomb that is guided to its target by a small television camera in its nose.

"It was almost awesome," reported Cmdr. Greg Wren, operations officer of a squadron aboard the Midway. "It (the bomb) moved one end of the steel trestle railroad bridge six metres and twisted the entire bridge 90 degrees from end to end."

Another flight of Midway pilots left in flames the Co Chan fuel pumping station 25 kms. southeast of Hanoi. Pilots said billowing black smoke rose to 200 metres.

Midway pilots also attacked supply trucks with a 60-km. radius of Hanoi. Other targets included the Ninh Binh ship repair facility southeast of Hanoi and the Hon Cai ship repair yard northeast of Haiphong. The Navy said the Ninh Binh shipyards were 80 per cent destroyed and at least 14 supply water craft and petroleum barges undergoing repair there were destroyed.

On the ground, a South Vietnamese armored column and more than 40 U.S. B-52 strikes spearheaded a drive that reopened Highway One on the northern front, ending a 24-hour blockade by the North Vietnamese.



Rescuers crowd a hole in one of the coaches of the trains which collided, causing the death of five and 237 injured. The two trains collided at the mouth of a tunnel near Pozzuoli, a suburb of Naples. (AP radiophoto)

Israel student chess team in final round

By ELIAHU SHARAF
 Jerusalem Post Chess Correspondent

TEL AVIV. — The Israel Chess Team in the 19th Student Olympics in Graz, Austria, put up an exceptionally fine performance in the preliminaries, qualifying for the finals even before the final round.

Following the crushing (4-0) defeat inflicted upon Italy in the first round, Israel lost with a respectable score (1½-2½) to the U.S.S.R. (world champions). But it more than made up for it by defeating Switzerland (3-1) and Brazil (3½-½), securing its place in the finals irrespective of the final round match with Norway.

The other countries who qualified for the finals were: U.S.S.R., Cuba, West Germany, Denmark, Hungary, Bulgaria, Rumania, England and the U.S.

In the first round of the finals Israel defeated Cuba by 3-1.

Later yesterday, UPI reported that in the second round, the Soviet Union beat Israel 3½-½. Other results in Group A were: Denmark 2½, England 1½; Bulgaria 2 U.S. 2; Rumania 2½; West Germany 1½; Hungary 2½; Cuba 1½.

The Soviets now lead this group with 7 points, followed by Hungary and Denmark with 4 points each.

Yugoslavia now leads Group B with Holland. Both have 5½ points. Colombia leads Group C with 6 points, ahead of South Africa with 5½.

Social and Personal

The Embassy of the Republic of Liberia in Jerusalem wishes to express thanks and appreciation to all those who by letter, card, telegram, personal call or otherwise expressed their sympathy on the great loss sustained by the nation in the passing of Dr. Ernest Jerome Nancy, former Secretary of Education and Ambassador of Liberia to Israel.

The new executive committee of the Commerce and Industry Club, elected at its last meeting, consists of Arye Weinberg, president; Shmuel Elman, Shimon Ben-Porat and Ya'acov Gafter, vice-presidents; Israel Betail, treasurer; Efraim Guzman, Avner Yafa, Jonathan Bookstein, Mordechai Wacht, Moshe Shanielsky, Yosef Auerbach and Mordechai Ben-Haim, members at large.

'UNIQUE' DETAILS ON VENUS RECEIVED

MOSCOW (UPI). — Venus-8 sent back "unique information" about the uncharted daylight side of Venus in its 50 minutes of working time on Saturday, a Soviet scientist said yesterday.

Official reports on the unmanned Soviet spaceship suggested it had been able to operate only that long in the inferno of the Venutian atmosphere and that nothing more was expected of it.

"Operation on the surface was the closing phase of the long and complex Venus-8 experiment," Tass said in a report on the four-month voyage and Saturday's soft-landing.

"As a result, data has been obtained which deciphering may yield unique information concerning the history of the formation and physical conditions on Venus — one of the most enigmatic planets of the solar system," Tass said.

Dr. Mikhail Marov of the Soviet Space Communications Centre said Venus-8 broke new ground in space exploration.

"For the first time ever, an attempt has been made to carry out measurements in the atmosphere of Venus and land a space craft on the daylight side of the planet's surface," he said in an interview with Tass. "All that we know about Venus today refers to the dark side."

Venus-8's mission included checking "the nature of the planet's rock" as well as measuring the temperature, air pressure and atmospheric makeup of the light side as compared with the dark side, he said.

Two million homeless in floods



An old woman is carried through flood waters on Saturday by relief workers in northwest Manila, where heavy rains caused raging flood waters.

MANILA (AP). — Philippine and American rescue agencies continued yesterday the massive job of bringing relief to more than one million Filipinos facing hunger and disease in disaster-stricken northern and central Luzon, hit by the country's heaviest floods in 28 years.

The official death toll of the disaster, brought on by two weeks of continuous torrential rains from two tropical storms, stood at 213 — mostly from drowning.

A spokesman of the Philippines National Disaster Coordinating Centre said more than 130,000 lbs. of medicine and food have been airlifted from Manila to Clark U.S. Air Force Base, 72 kms. north of Manila, to some two million homeless people.

The rescue operations involving some 2,000 Filipino and American troops, in addition to more than 1,000 volunteer workers from private organizations, went into full gear only Saturday due to lack of transport and other facilities.

Officials who looked over the calamity area on Saturday and yesterday estimated crop and property damage at about 3,000m. pesos (about \$445m.).

Land ceiling set in India

NEW DELHI (AP). — Political leaders of India's 21 states decided yesterday, at Prime Minister Indira Gandhi's request, to enact legislation fixing the maximum land holding for a family at 18 acres.

The consensus was arrived at after a two-day session of the chief ministers of the states with Mrs. Gandhi presiding. The chief ministers agreed to enact the necessary legislation in their respective states before December 31 this year. In states where there is already a land ceiling law, it will be amended to attain national uniformity.

This move will blunt one of the main arrows in the Communist arsenal that under Congress Party rule only a few had benefited. The even distribution of land was one of the main planks of Mrs. Gandhi's Congress Party in the recent elections in which it was returned with landslide victory.

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Chinese cancel ping-pong tour

SYDNEY, Australia (AP). — The Chinese table-tennis team yesterday cancelled its two-week Australian tour, claiming the presence of a Taiwanese women's basketball team in Sydney was a political plot.

The Australian Table Tennis Association, which stands to lose \$25,000, failed to persuade Chinese team officials to reverse their decision.

The decision followed a day in which phone calls were made to and from Peking and talks were held between Chinese team leaders and Foreign Minister Nigel Bowen. The Chinese team cancelled its matches against an Australian team at Sydney Showground, but played exhibition matches among themselves and a friendly doubles game with Australians.

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Men of the Welsh Guards who led the raid came under repeated fire and claimed they hit four gunmen. The army knocked down barricades as they moved in. The same haul yielded three already-constructed bombs, rifles, detonators, ammunition, and a sniper's telescopic sight.

Scores of men were taken in for questioning, but the majority were quickly released. Eleven men were still held, bringing the known total since the raids began on Saturday to 95 throughout the province.

The army's "search and destroy operation" was ordered by British administrator William Whitelaw as a reprisal for Friday's I.R.A. bombing offensive in which 11 persons died and 130 were injured during a lightning attack on civilian targets in Belfast.

U.S. spacecraft to monitor resources

LOMPOC, California (AP). — A U.S. spacecraft, nestled in the nose cone of a Delta rocket, thundered into space yesterday, opening what science hopes will be a new era in man's surveillance of his planet's dwindling natural resources.

The \$175m. spacecraft was destined for a circular, nearly polar orbit 507 miles above the earth. From there, a trio of television cameras and a radiation testing device were to begin a historic monitoring of Earth's surface.

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Dilemma untouched

LONDON (INA). — The "Sunday Times" in a report from Cairo said yesterday, "After the firm, even harsh words of last Tuesday about the Russian failure to support Egypt to the end, the press here is now full of amiable back-peddling acknowledging the Soviet Union as the Arabs' best friend and presenting what at first seemed almost an ultimatum to Moscow as little more than a mutually agreed phasing out of aid."

"Evidently the realization has dawned that to cast off the Russian umbrella altogether would be in both diplomatic and military terms a desperate gambler's throw. It is plain that whether the Russian actually go or stay, the Egyptian dilemma of 'no war — no peace' remains untouched."

General U.K. strike threatened

Heath consults Cabinet to avert port closure

LONDON. — Prime Minister Edward Heath called in senior Cabinet ministers yesterday for emergency talks aimed at averting a total shutdown of British ports next week and threats of the nation's first general strike since 1926.

Meanwhile, labour leaders charting tactics over the weekend said a national dock closure was now probably inevitable, but that pressure for all unions to participate in a general strike would be resisted for the time being.

The direct confrontation between Mr. Heath's Conservative government and organised labour arose on Friday when Britain's new industrial relations court ordered the arrest of five longshoremen for illegal picketing in a dockland dispute. The longshoremen contend they should do the loading and unloading of prepacked containers, and were picketing over this issue.

It was the first decision to jail workers taken by the court, the cornerstone of the government's controversial Strike-Control Law enacted earlier this year. Unions had immediately joined ranks to demand both the release of the jailed dockers and the repeal of the strike-control law.

Most of Britain's national Sunday newspapers printed in London gave up production hopes after Saturday midnight as machine room workers met to discuss the imprisonment of the dockers. The "Sunday Times" and the "Observer" were the only papers to get copies out.

The Trade Union Congress, voice of Britain's organized labour representing more than nine million workers, said it would ask the government today to release the dockers and suspend the new labour law to avert both a national dock strike and sympathy walkouts by other unions.

Mr. Heath was considering this view. Other members of Cabinet his country home near London. But government sources said Mr. Heath's administration was unlikely to yield on the Strike-Control Act and would insist that the jailed men are the concern of the courts.

The two sides thus appeared headed for a deadlock, with grave economic consequences for Britain at stake. By Saturday more than half of Britain's 42,000 dockers had stopped work. Union leaders say the national port shutdown should be complete by the end of the week unless the government backs down.

The dockers' action alone imperils the foreign trade. Any extended port shutdown would cripple Britain's balance of payments with the rest of the world and drive down further the already weak sterling.

(AP, UPI)

Lorries barred from Jordan road

AMMAN (Reuters). — Jordan will no longer allow lorries to cross its territory on the Abdul-Samad desert road linking Syria with Saudi Arabia.

The Customs Department said that both vehicles using this route would be apprehended under contraband laws, as such entry contravened the Inter-Arab transit agreement.

The semi-official newspaper "Al-Rai" published a note from the Customs Department to the Foreign Ministry asking it to inform Saudi Arabia of the new measures in case they had an adverse effect on Saudi interests.

Lorries in transit from Lebanese ports to Saudi Arabia have used the route since Syria closed its border with Jordan last July after clashes between Jordanian troops and terrorists.

Few Italian papers

ROME (AP). — Italians had few newspapers yesterday for a fifth successive weekend in the midst of an increasing pattern of strikes. Only a fraction of the usual number of editions had been printed during the past three days and further walkouts were scheduled for the coming week.

Printers are striking to protest the suspension of Monday morning editions which publishers said were too costly because of triple pay differential for Sunday work. Journalists have joined the protest several times.

Fire traps nine in W. Va. mine

BLACKSVILLE, W. Va. (AP). — Rescuers battled thick smoke yesterday in an effort to reach nine maintenance men trapped behind a stubborn fire deep inside a mine being readied for the return of vacationing miners.

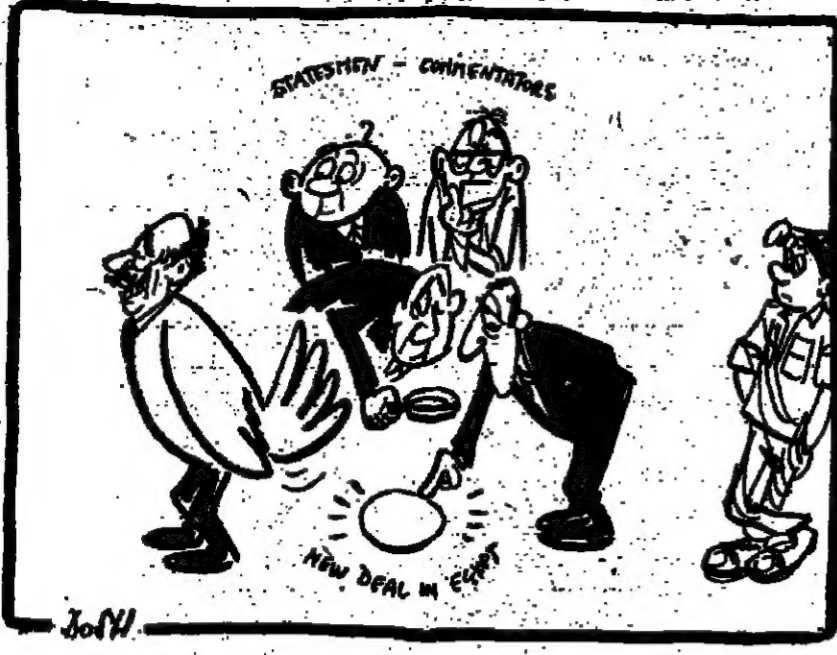
Thirty-one other men escaped unharmed when the fire broke out in the Consolidation Coal Co.'s No. 1 mine Sunday night. The pit is less than 50 kms. from where 78 men perished in a November 1968 fire at Consolidation's No. 9 mine at Farmington.

Bonn court upholds Nazi life sentence

BONN (INA). — The Supreme Court has rejected a defence appeal to overturn a life sentence given to former SS officer Fritz Gebauer in June 1971.

A Saarbrücken jury had found Gebauer guilty of murdering three Jews working in the German armament factories in Lodz (Galicia) between 1941 and 1943. It had sentenced him to life imprisonment. The defence appealed the verdict, claiming it was "without founda-

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Russians push for Syria-Iraq oil, water pact

Current rumours that the Syrians will follow Egypt in asking the Russians to reduce their military presence may be a reaction to a background of Russian intervention in a long-standing dispute between Syria and the Russians' new client state of Iraq over Syrian plans to dam the Euphrates.

By MAYMON ABDEL
SYRIA and Iraq, ruled by rival factions of the Ba'ath Socialist Party, have entered into serious negotiations over the oil pipelines and the Euphrates waters which run through both their territories. This was apparently at the behest of the Russians, who are helping to build a Syrian high dam on the Euphrates which the Iraqis have long feared could choke off a large part of their water supply.

agreement with Iraq before work on the dam goes ahead.

Iraq wants an agreement with Syria in accordance with international law. Half of the 2,210 km. of the Euphrates runs through Iraq; the other half runs through Turkey and Syria. The main Iraqi argument is that the reserve capacity of the dam is far more than Syria needs for irrigation or anything else, and that this great reserve obstructs the construction of any Euphrates dam in Iraq and at the same time ruins rice plantations in central Iraq.

Four-year droughts

It is worth mentioning that, whenever the Euphrates begins to have a low flood level, this continues for four successive years. Iraq fears that with such a phenomenon, the Syrian High Dam will constitute a major threat to various plantations along the Euphrates basin, and that it will be able to do nothing to help its farmers and peasant communities.

Unless Syria submits to the Russian orders and comes to an agreement with the Soviet Union's ally on this vital matter, the completion of the dam is at stake. It is more likely, however, that Iraq will for the present lay emphasis on an oil pipeline agreement with the Soviet Union's ally, which will jeopardize the oil nationalization in Iraq. In these negotiations, Syria will take advantage of its strong position to secure the largest possible revenue from allowing Iraq to use the oil pipelines running between Kirkuk and Basra. The Syrians will prefer as long as possible the conclusion of a Friendship and Cooperation Treaty with the Soviet Union similar to that concluded by Iraq in April this year. They did not show any interest in such a treaty when they were approached by the Russians after the Egyptians signed a similar treaty in May last year.

But will Syria eventually submit to the Russians? And if not, will the Iraqi Ba'athists whisper in the ears of their Syrian rivals the famous threat to blow up the dam? Talk about fraternity and Arab solidarity serves merely to disguise the inner struggle between the Iraqis and the Syrians. Their differences are far from being bridged. Only time will tell whether the Syrians are ready to treat their Iraqi rivals better than the foreign oil companies, with or without increased Soviet pressure.

This Russian pressure on the Syrians apparently explains last week's surprise visit to Damascus of an official Iraqi delegation led by Foreign Minister Murad al-Hadidi only a day after Syrian President Hafez al-Assad's return from his latest Moscow visit. The Iraqi minister made it clear that his talks with the Syrians would cover, among other things, "irrigation-matters of interest to the two Arab states."

On oil, Iraq wants to make an agreement with Syria which will regulate the revenues the latter is to receive from the export of Iraqi oil through pipelines crossing Syrian territory. Iraq, which has nationalized its northern oilfields, has no terminal of its own. The two oil terminals on the eastern Mediterranean coast—Beirut and Tripoli—are in Syria and Lebanon respectively. The use of the Lebanese terminal is out of the question at present because Lebanon has refused to go along with the nationalization of the Iraq Petroleum Company's oil pipelines and installations inside Lebanon. In order to facilitate the marketing of its oil from the northern oilfields, Iraq must reach an agreement with Syria, which may take a tough stand in order to secure more profits.

German idea

Iraq has long been anxious for an agreement with Syria on the distribution of the Euphrates waters. When the Syrian Government decided in the early '60s to build a high dam on the Euphrates, it turned a deaf ear to Iraqi requests. It was West Germany which originally encouraged Syria to embark on a major irrigation scheme which, in the event is being backed by the Soviet Union. This was in 1961, when Gen. Abdul Karim Kassem was still in power in Iraq and adopting what Bonn regarded as a hostile policy. This was one of the reasons behind Bonn's approval of the Syrian scheme, and it aroused Kassem's ire, especially as West Germany did not, as international practice demanded, discuss the matter with Iraq. At one of his press conferences, he declared emphatically that the Euphrates dam would never be completed. Asked about Iraq's attitude if the dam were built, he replied: "We would blow it up."

This statement by Kassem has been repeated on many occasions by his successors and Syria labours under the fear that, once the High Dam is completed, the threat will be carried out. At the same time, it consistently refuses to listen to Iraqi arguments on the question of the Euphrates waters. During the talks on the subject held in Baghdad, before the Six Day War, the Syrians told the Iraqis that Iraq has more than 40 rivers while Syria has no more than part of the Euphrates. They meant by this that they were not prepared to come to an agreement acceptable to Iraq.

Like West Germany, the Soviet Union did not consult Iraq when it concluded the Euphrates High Dam agreement with Syria, for this happened at a time when the two countries were not on good terms. The situation has now changed, and together with indications from Damascus that the construction of the dam in Syria is facing many difficulties and that it is not expected to be completed as scheduled, in 1974, comes the news that the Russians have asked the Syrians to reach an

Americans seek U.N. action on hijackers

WASHINGTON (Reuter). — Thirty-one Congressmen last night urged the U.N. Security Council to punish any country which offers refuge to airline hijackers.

"The dangerous band of 20th century pirates should be allowed no corner of the world in which to hide," said a letter to the U.N., written by Congressman Seymour Halpern and also signed by 30 other members of the Senate and House of Representatives.

Mr. Halpern, a New York Republican, said the U.N. should set up a commission with powers to exact penalties against countries which harbour hijackers. "The time for rhetoric has passed, and only action on the international level will satisfy the justifiable anger and fear which plague the millions of citizens who travel the air corridors of the world," the letter said.

Mr. Halpern asked the U.S. representative to the United Nations, Mr. George Bush, to sponsor a tough proposal, saying "it is our responsibility as a nation with the greater number of commercial airlines in the sky today to take the initiative by making it known that there can be no compromise on this issue."



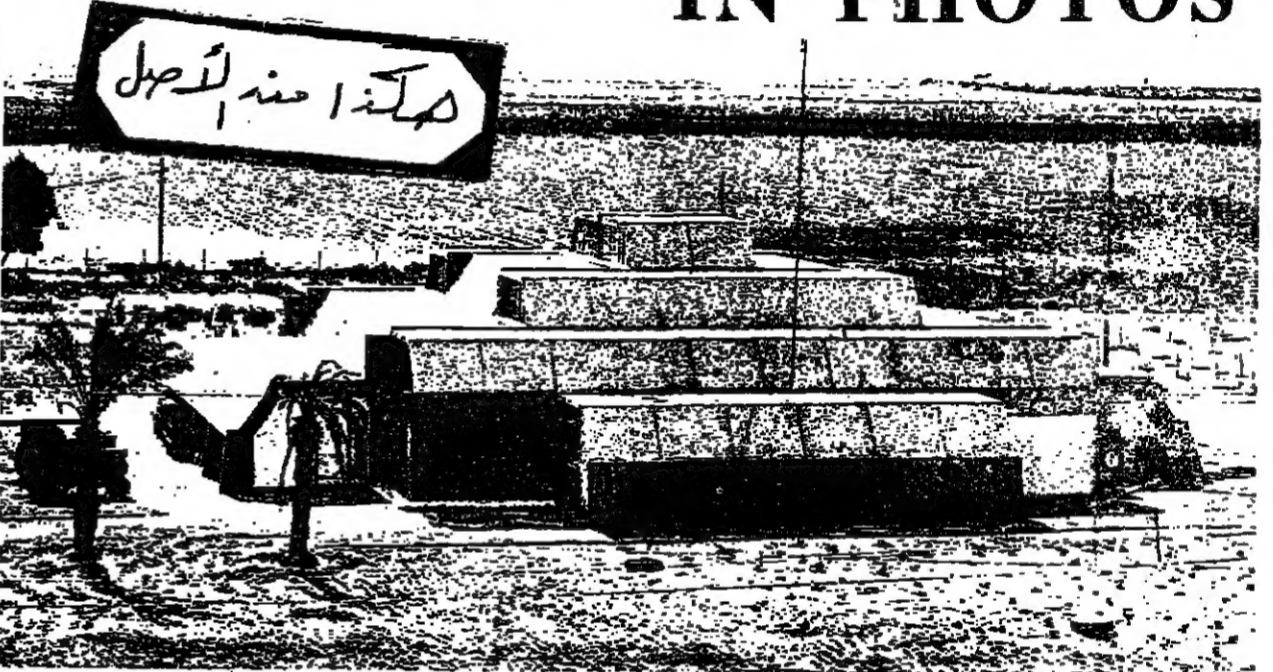
Judy Silver Shapiro speaking with U.S. Ambassador to the U.N. George Bush (left) outside a New York restaurant as she holds a picture of her husband Gavriel, whom she married in Moscow this spring. Mrs. Shapiro was on Saturday refused a return visa to Moscow to visit her husband, whom the Russians are refusing to let out. She said the Soviet Embassy had told her she would "never" get a visa.

(AP radiophoto)

Police removing unofficial dockers' leader Viv Turner from Saturday's picket line outside London's Pentonville Prison, where dockers were protesting the jailing of four other leaders under new British labour laws. After a short talk, the police and court officer sent Mr. Turner inside to join his four comrades. The arrest of the five, who were charged with contempt of court for picketing a new container terminal, has threatened a nation-wide dockstrike and sympathy walkouts in other industries.

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THE NEWS IN PHOTOS



Architect Yisrael Gudowitz's new multi-purpose community centre for Moshav Sadot near Rafah, dedicated a few days ago. Under its single roof, built up of Gudowitz' pre-cast concrete hexagons, the building houses a supermarket, club, clinic and meeting-hall, along with the moshav offices. Construction was by Istrom, for the Housing Ministry's rural construction section.

(Ran Erde)

Unfair to Cassandras

By EPHRAIM KISHON

THE Ninth of Av, they wrote up at Cairo Airport in Cyrillic script. The experts who had completed their duties to the satisfaction of all concerned were moving with the wife and kids in a steady flow towards the waiting planes, and I was running alongside with a mouthful of questions:

"What's the big hurry?" I cried to the Russians. "It isn't final yet, come on, take a chair." The experts who had completed their duties satisfactorily did not answer. One of them, a fat strategist, demanded in a booming voice:

"Who's him?" "A representative of the Israeli Prophets Club," I introduced myself, "the real victim of these dramatic developments."

"Run along, child," said the fat strategist, "off with you." "I won't!" I shouted and clung to his coat. "You can't do this to Analytical Minds! It is not fair!"

The F.S. kept on his marching pace toward the plane, dragging me along. There was a definite air of Uganda about the place. "It's against all the rules," I protested, "it's not even logical! We've told the Israeli public over and over that Golda's rigid intransigence was forcing President Sadat to put up with the growing Soviet influence, and we cited long articles to prove it. We'd impressed the entire Progressive world with our clear-cut plenty of troubles without

sighted vision, 'Le Monde' quoted me three times, the 'Observer' once a week, and now you leave me holding the bag of prophecies..."

I pulled the sheaf of conclusive data out of my pocket: "The deplorable expansionist policy is responsible for the growing Soviet entrenchment in Egypt," I quoted the Minds while trotting by his side. "We have reached the eleventh hour and only a substantial softening of our position may yet induce Sadat to slip free of the Russian bear hug. When will this expansionist Government finally remove its political blinkers?"

The F.S. stopped and peeled me off him. "Listen child," he said, "we've got you." I clasped his broad hips: "Don't go!" I yelled. "Wait a few days or I'll never be able to return to Tel Aviv. The Club will close!"

Must progress

The experts who had completed their duties to the satisfaction of all sides kept going forward, for progress is their raison d'être. Still running I glanced at them from the side: Great heavens, what a disappointment! We had only just recovered from the betrayal of the Palestinian People, whom in one brilliant analysis after the other we'd kept pointing at as the sole key to any regional solution, and then no sooner do we see that they have taken a leap in the pants, but these halfwits expatiate out of Egypt to go forth to the Land of Slavery as though led by a Moses or a Gad Ya'acobi.

"As late as Friday week we divulged that Golda was missing her last chance," I pleaded, casting myself at the expert's feet. "Give the little chance a chance, man! Show a bit of consideration for prophecy!"... The experts looked over my moral body and boards with the plane, seeing as how they had completed their duties to the satisfaction of everybody around. I was left lying squashed on the runway with my pockets full of revelations, warnings and irrevocably missed historic occasions. Prophets aren't making the grade these days, and that's a fact. I got up and limped home. Maybe the Americans after this fall, yes, maybe they will be able to save something after the elections.

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London Zoo can't replace Chi-Chi, who'll be stuffed

LONDON (UPI). — There is little likelihood of London Zoo acquiring another giant panda to replace Chi-Chi, a zoo spokesman said yesterday. The world famous panda died on Saturday, apparently of old age. The spokesman said since the pandas only come from China, a replacement would depend on the Chinese. "And China refuses to sell any pandas. It is not likely that we will have another one."

Chi-Chi, who gained world fame in the late sixties when repeated attempts failed to mate her with the Russian panda, An-An, will be stuffed for display in the Natural History Museum here, the spokesman said.

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Unique Austrian plan boosts foreign trade

By MOSHE ATER
Jerusalem Post Economic Editor

AUSTRIA'S system of trade delegations abroad was recently described by the leading German daily, "Frankfurter Allgemeine Zeitung," as a pioneering achievement in sponsoring exports. It may well be worth serious study by businessmen in this country.

Contrary to the practice of other countries, Austria does not have commercial attaches in its embassies. Instead, it has foreign trade delegates who are appointed, not by the Foreign Ministry nor yet by the Commerce Ministry, but by the Federal Chamber of Commerce. They are therefore not members of the diplomatic corps, but representatives of economic interests. The difference extends even into the financial sphere: the trade delegates are maintained, not by the state, but by Austrian exporters, who levy a special contribution of 0.3 per cent on their export proceeds for the purpose—and consider it worth while it goes without saying that the delegates must exert themselves to justify the investment.

The particular characteristics of the Austrian system are its economic efficacy and the close link maintained between export firms and the trade delegates abroad. A delegate keeps in touch with the embassy in his particular country, and occasionally consults his ambassador on questions of policy, but he is not subject to diplomatic protocol, and as a result has more freedom of movement and more scope for developing his own initiative. His duties are not confined to observing and assessing the economic situation, to making recommendations and to acting occasionally as an intermediary, as is the case with commercial attaches. Rather, he is expected to take an active part in promoting trade, in drawing up orders and contracts, even in pressing for payments that are overdue.

Of course, one precondition to the successful operation of this system was the strong and unified organization of Austrian business interests within the framework of the Federal Chamber of Commerce. This is a statutory body, enjoying considerable autonomy, to which all firms active in trade or industry must belong (there are separate organizations for agriculture and labour). It embraces even state-owned industries in so far as they are run as separate companies.

Foreign trade delegates are chosen

from a rigorously selected list of candidates, and undergo a special training, which includes brief periods of practical business experience and ends with an examination.

Business briefs

NAHUM Passa, of Kibbutz Bror Hayil, has been appointed new joint general manager of Ehevrat Yitzur Utiyah, an enterprise owned by Itzhak Hakutzot, Vahakubbutzim, the Jewish Agency, and the Histadrut's Ehevrat Ovdim. Mr. Passa, who served for seven years as manager of the Deco firm, will run Yitzur Utiyah's industrial division. Bin-yamin Lukis, of Kibbutz Tel Yosef, his co-general manager, heads the agricultural division.

MAQUETTE Leather Fashions of Macre shipped a record \$200,000 worth of leather coats and jackets abroad during June, according to director Zelig Kaletsky. The five-year-old firm, which employs 200 workers and until recently produced solely for export, sold \$1m. worth of goods last month. Ground was broken last month for a IL3m. new plant that the firm says should more than double the payroll and export volume when it begins operating next year.

THE Histadrut's Hamaashbr Lazzarhan retail chain reports a 23 per cent rise in turnover for the first half of this year. Volume was IL38.5m., as against IL30m. for the corresponding period last year. Biggest growth was at the Ashdod and Ashkelon branches, which were running 40 per cent over last year. Jerusalem scored a 32 per cent rise.

SCI-TEX Ltd. of Herzliya has set up an American office to sell and service its "Response" electronic Jacquard knit patterning system and other products. The new operation, to be in Stamford, Connecticut, will be headed by Richard R. Jaffe, an American textile consultant with wide experience in applying computer technology to the industry. Sci-Tex says its electronic patterning system, which is already in operation in the U.S., cuts the weeks formerly needed for transferring designs from paper to fabric down to as little as 10 minutes.

Business and Finance

JOB FAMINE IN INDIA

By TREVOR DRIEBERG
Jerusalem Post Correspondent

NEW DELHI — An Indian bank advertised a few weeks ago for 50 junior clerks. It received more than 22,000 applications, mostly from university graduates. This response was not surprising. Employers all over India are flooded with replies whenever they announce a vacancy in their establishments. Even a job for a messenger, bookkeeper or list attendant today brings a shoal of applications from young men who have completed a university course. A fair number of them hold degrees in engineering or science.

Unemployment, particularly among the educated, is becoming more critical every day. Accurate figures are hard to come by, but even those that are available are alarming. The Department of Labour and Employment reports that registered job seekers rose from a little more than four million in December, 1970, to above five million in 12 months. The rise in educated unemployed over the same period was 26 per cent—from 1.82 million to 2.29 million.

But official estimates do not include the countless self-employed and under-employed in the villages who are without work for the greater part of the year.

Landless peasants

The bulk of them are landless agricultural labourers. An official study made seven years ago counted 8.57 million landless households in the countryside. The number of landless households in the villages was 16.83 million, and the average income of each household was about 85 dollars a year.

Rough official estimates put the yearly addition to the army of unemployed at five million. The ten-yearly census held in 1971 showed that one-quarter of all the arts and science graduates in India were looking for jobs.

The economy is growing today at the slow pace of about four per cent. Economic experts want this pushed up to seven per cent in the fifth five-year plan starting in April 1974. They say this can be done only by mobilizing the unemployed millions, the nation's greatest capital asset if properly used. And so the National Planning Commission has decided to make the fifth plan "employment oriented," giving priority to production that is socially necessary.

The new plan will therefore place much emphasis on schemes that will generate large numbers of jobs in the villages and at the same time create a modern infrastructure for

agriculture and agro-industries. One of many national schemes drawn up to overcome unemployment aims at providing work for about 1,000 persons in each of the 350 districts in the country for at least ten months a year. The work will include reclaiming waste and badly eroded land for horticulture and livestock breeding, irrigation and flood protection schemes, afforestation, and building all-weather roads and storehouses and dwellings for the rural poor.

Small dams and other irrigation works at the village level are expected to encourage multiple cropping in large areas where dry farming yields only one crop at present, and this is calculated to provide one million unskilled and 180,000 skilled jobs.

Electrification promises to create several million new jobs, both on farms and in cottage and medium-sized industries based on farm and forest produce.

Roads needed

Thousands of miles of roads are urgently needed to link villages with railheads and market towns, and this is another source of permanent employment to large numbers of landless labourers, besides creating a demand for motorized transport for goods that will be hard to satisfy.

The shortage of houses in the rural sector was set at more than 7.1 million at the beginning of the fourth plan in 1969. The shortage continues to grow, and housebuilding, using locally available human resources and materials, offers a great scope for employment for several more plans.

Rural reconstruction on an integrated scale will provide regular work not only for the unskilled labourer but also for technically qualified townfolk. The present seasonal flow of landless labourers to towns in search of work could be permanently reversed once the works programme gets under way. Thus most of the 100,000 engineers, engineers, technicians and doctors languishing in urban centres without work could be easily absorbed into the revitalized village structure.

The success of the Indian Government in halting the mounting tide of unemployment depends on how effectively its programmes to find useful jobs for those who want them desperately in the villages are implemented. The planners have got to work fast, for time is running out. Every minute, according to official calculations, ten more young Indians join the ranks of the unemployed.

KEEPING POSTED

A TRAVELLER of our acquaintance bought a few things in Paris last September at a shop which has an arrangement for the return of purchase tax to tourists. In France, you pay the full sum and collect your goods and a sheaf of documents. When you present these at the airport, with the goods and your boarding card, you get your money back. She carried out these procedures to get about IL60, which would have come in handy on the last lap of her trip home. However, there was an electricity strike on in Paris and the accounting machines were silenced. They would not let her do the necessary sum on a piece of paper instead, not in the machine age. She was told to take the documents home and apply directly to the shop, which would send the money to any bank she specified.

To her surprise, she received a reply from the shop within a week. The money would be sent, but the procedures were likely to take some time. Nothing more happened. Around February she considered writing a second letter, but the

member of the office staff who can write French was away. In June she received a note from the main office of one of the large banks in Jerusalem, informing her of a pending payment. It was the IL60—she did not benefit from the devaluation. She asked the clerk why on earth it had taken so long for the money to arrive. Wearily he picked up a thick wad of correspondence. "We've been looking for you since November," he said. "Nobody could find you." — "I have an account with your branch X since it was opened about 20 years ago, and they send me two or three pieces of mail a month, and before that I had an account with the main office, here."

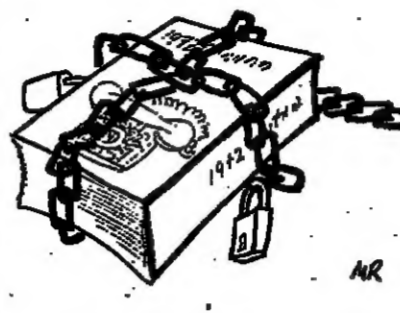
"I checked with X—here, look—and they wrote back that they don't know you. Then somebody found an address, but the people there didn't know you either." Our friend moved about ten years ago to her present flat. He leaped through more notes and letters.

"When I want to find somebody I look in the telephone book," she observed. The outraged clerk spluttered. "All this correspondence over your money and you think I have time to look through telephone books as well?"

celebrate the bank's 10th anniversary.

"The workers' committee managed to get a reduced price from the Na'aman porcelain factory for a bulk purchase of their standard dinner sets. The charge was IL250, so the committee added a bit to the grant money, and the employees also chipped in." The real question is whether they really wanted the 80-piece set of china.

PEACE really is better than war, and best of all for flamingos is a cease-fire, according to a clipping from a magazine dealing with ecological matters which we have received. It seems that prior to 1967 Egyptian fishermen used to raid the nests of the flamingos in the salt



IF they are not over-efficient, how open-handed are Israel's banks? All employees in Tzachot received a dinner set of 80 pieces from their employer, according to a postcard, a postcard mailed on Tuesday by Knesset Member Yehuda Ben-Meir. Mr. Moshe Mann, Managing Director of the bank, said, "We give our staff of 180 a small cash gift every year at Passover. This year it was larger, around IL150, to

marabes at the northern end of the Suez Canal, taking chicks and eggs. Flamingo eggs are not suitable for eating, so the birds must have been mistreated or dealt with ecologically. During the shooting the flamingos became understandably nervous and moved away. Now, in the cease-fire, the place is virtually deserted, the quiet has attracted flamingos from all over the Mediterranean area, and there are about 11,000 birds instead of the 1,000 before the war.

AN OPEN LETTER TO ALL KNESSET MEMBERS

We, the undersigned, hereby declare our deep sorrow and regret upon the failure of the Knesset members to insist upon the insertion of the word "Ke'halacha" into the law of return, and we vow to continue our fight demanding for its insertion. We are all hopefully looking forward to making Israel our permanent home, where we can lead a true Jewish life in complete accordance with "Halacha" as defined by our Holy Torah.

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U.S. makes first move in year to support the dollar

WASHINGTON (Reuter). — After standing on the sidelines for almost a year, the U.S. is now helping other countries prop up the value of the dollar and preserve the international exchange rate negotiated here last December.

On Wednesday, the American Federal Reserve Bank sold German marks on the foreign exchange market to keep the dollar within the limits agreed in December's historic reshuffle of major currency values. This was the first active initiative by U.S. authorities to support their currency since President Nixon last August suspended the convertibility of the dollar into other reserve assets.

By selling foreign currencies for dollars, the U.S. central bank on Wednesday helped to keep the American currency within its agreed boundaries. Since December 18, the date of the "Smithsonian agreement" to devalue the dollar, the full burden of maintaining the new American currency rate had been shouldered by foreign central banks which bought large sums of unwanted U.S. money to support the agreed parity.

Wednesday's exchange market operation was undertaken by the Federal Reserve Bank of New York which acts as the international limb of the U.S. central banking system. The Federal Reserve authorities yesterday emphasized that the action was taken purely on American initiative and not at the behest of foreign central banks.

Backing from Europe

Since the devaluation was agreed upon in December, foreign monetary authorities, notably the German and other European central banks, have swollen their unwanted American money holdings by thousands of millions of dollars to support the U.S. currency. Until Wednesday, the U.S. authorities played a passive role in this international operation, arguing that it was the responsibility of foreign governments to maintain the exchange rates against the dollar, and not of the American central bank to preserve the dollar's value against foreign currencies.

But a recently escalating bout of speculation against the dollar, following the collapse of the parity of the British pound, threatened to undo the December currency agreement. This agreement followed several months of bargaining by the U.S. administration, under the leadership of then Treasury Secretary John Connally, with foreign governments.

Wednesday's change in policy tactics indicated that the U.S. government is determined to make last December's currency realignment stick until an overall reform of the international monetary system can be negotiated over the next two or three years.

In order to continue its cooperative actions in support of the dollar, the Federal Reserve Bank disclosed yesterday that it has reopened its international "swap" arrangement—the network of reciprocal currency credits—with other central banks allowing it to intervene in the money markets even when it is short of foreign exchange.

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Hazani: Kulturkampf can be averted

WELFARE Minister Michael Hazani of the National Religious Party states baldly that he believes a serious Kulturkampf is in the offing. He sees Mr. Gideon Hauser's civil marriage bill as a symptom of the ill to come.

The cure he offers is not nearly so dramatic as his diagnosis: "In the long run, the remedy lies in the overhaul of our school curriculum. The attitude of the average school-leaver (from a secular school) towards Judaism is at best that of an anthropologist towards some ancient culture. At worst — and this is more often the case — there is no relationship at all; there is only total ignorance."

In the short run, says Mr. Hazani, the Kulturkampf can still be averted; by the rabbis and Orthodox laity on the one side, and on the other by "those who still hold responsibility for running the country" and I mean the founding generation of the Labour Party.

"The rabbis must come to grips with the problems of the Jewish State and the ingathering of the exiles," Hazani says. He is quick to add that not every problem can be solved by halacha — "but a great many can, and if they were this would inevitably draw the religious and secular camps together."

Labour Party

"As regards the old guard of the Labour Party, they are all solidly against civil marriage, or the separation of state and religion," says Mr. Hazani. They are under tremendous pressure from their own young members, as well as from Mapam and the Independent Liberals; whether the Kulturkampf is to be prevented depends on their remaining firm," he believes.

"Hauser's bill opens the door to legalized intermarriage. Hauser himself wants to limit civil marriage to Jews unable to marry under halacha, but if his bill is passed it will inevitably lead to pressure for general civil marriage legislation. This will be the ruin of the People and the ruination of the State."

Mr. Hazani explained his position — and in fact his whole Weltanschauung — by tracing an historical analogy between the State of Israel and the Crusaders of the Middle Ages. Why, he asked, had the Crusaders disappeared from the annals of the Holy Land? Militarily and technologically, they could have held their own against the Arabs

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for a millennium. Hazani lists four reasons for their demise:

- They had no binding link with the soil. They conquered the country, then hired Arabs to farm it for them.
- After a few generations, as Crusading zeal subsided in Europe, they became cut off from their sources of money and manpower.
- They intermarried with the indigenous population.
- The feuds between the various Crusading orders themselves took their toll of lives.

"We must learn these lessons, and guard our state from all these four dangers," says Hazani, who was a moshav farmer before he turned to politics. If we do not maintain our link with Judaism — we open the gates to intermarriage. If Israel, he continued, were not a spiritual centre radiating Judaism to the Diaspora, it would in time find itself cut off from a disenchanted Jewish world and left to submerge into the Levant.

Basic hallmarks

In order to retain its link to Judaism, the State of Israel must, by Hazani's thinking, keep up the basic hallmarks of the religion; the outward trappings together with the fundamental inner content. "Jewish marriage and divorce is part of that inner core of content. There has never been — nor does there exist today — an identity of one people and one religion, except for the Jewish People and Judaism. I don't say every Israeli must wear tefillin every day for the Jewish State to survive; but we must maintain that unique identity."

"Tell that to an 'unmarriageable,' I thought out loud. 'Statistically, that problem is minute,' was his reply. 'I should like to see the same sensitivity shown to the mosesim, or the cohen, who cannot marry a divorcee, displayed to wards road accidents or welfare cases. And don't say these are unavoidable, whereas in the case of the

unmarriageables the law can be changed. Road accidents aren't inevitable; people can drive slower and not race on the roads, letting out behind the wheel the pent-up frustrations of the rat-race society. Welfare cases are also not inevitable. People could give more money — and I don't mean just the Government. And, more important, people could relent on the burning quest for luxurious living. The poor man's frustration is caused as much by the noncommittal vulgar and ostentatious display of wealth as by his own poverty."

Not perfect

Changing tack, Mr. Hazani rehearsed the truism that no law in any legal system is ever perfect. Someone is always unfairly hit. But this did not mean that the law, or the legal system must be discarded. "Just because there are road accidents no one has suggested we abolish motorized traffic."

Returning constantly to the theme of Jewish education, in which he sees the key to the future character of the State, Hazani cites a recent survey which examined the standard of Jewish knowledge of a group of school teachers graduating from a teachers' seminary. Many of them revealed total ignorance of the most basic concepts of the religion. "What, then, can they teach school-children in Jewish awareness (gym) lessons? At best a lot of facts and figures from a book. But Jewish Awareness should be much more than that: it means identity with Jewish history and tradition, patriotism for the Jewish People."

The failure of the secular schools to educate towards Jewish awareness is, in Mr. Hazani's view, the most important single cause of the religious-secular polarization in Israel society and of the estrangement between Israeli youth and the Jewish Diaspora. It also accounts for Israeli youth's disenchantment with Zionism, which came to a peak before the Six Day War.

In a lecture to teachers in 1970, which he subsequently published in pamphlet form, Hazani warned of the "dangers of peace," when the feelings of Jewish solidarity engendered by the Six Day War and its aftermath might subside once more. If we do not fight for Zionist education, the deepening of Jewish awareness, and the strengthening of our pupils' identity with the People and its past, then peace, or even a cease-fire — but certainly a peace bound up with large-scale withdrawals — will act like a spring to release the wave of spiritual and moral disintegration which threatened to engulf the State before the war.

Politics

From the sublime, we now turned to politics, and Mr. Hazani switched from the roles of religious thinker and Welfare Minister to his third capacity: N.R.P. leader, and in particular, in these troubled and strife-ridden days for the N.R.P., leader — together with Interior Minister Yosef Burg — of the Lamifneh faction

within the N.R.P. The N.R.P. stands on the threshold of what promises to be a no-holds-barred internal election campaign (the vote will be in October). Hazani agreed that it was not the most dignified of spectacles: the party tearing itself apart between the various factions, with some of their leaders resorting to the kind of personal calumnies and mud-slinging rarely employed by political enemies, let alone members of the same party. But, he said, it was necessary. Since the death of Moshe Haim Shapiro, the Minister of Interior, in 1970, the party had been like a rudderless ship. "We are weary. Extremism is sailing away at our flanks; religious extremism on the one hand, and right-wing political extremism on the other."

Partnership

Hazani's Lamifneh is opposed to both sorts. Broadly based on the party's kibbutzim and moshavim, the faction believes above all in the continued partnership with the Labour Party.

The other factions are:

- Likud Uleamur — Unity and Change: Dr. Yitzhak Rabin's followers. Their chief aim, simply stated, is for Dr. Rabin to take over the leadership of the party. One of its main supporters is Tel Aviv Deputy Mayor Haim Basok.
- Merkaz — Centre: led by Dr. Warhaftig, the Minister for Religious Affairs, and Mrs. Tova Sandeh, the Deputy Knesset Speaker and Chairman of N.R.P.'s Knesset faction. Merkaz represents, in effect, the remnants of the Shapiro faithful.
- The Young Circle, with M.K.'s Zevulun Hammer and Dr. Yehuda Ben-Mer at their helm.
- Eidot Hamizrach faction, demanding greater representation for Oriental voters within the party.

Mr. Hazani refused to speak about the other factions. But the extremism he mentioned was an oblique reference to Raphael and the Young Circle.

I asked him if he had considered an N.R.P. realignment with Gahal which might bring about a change in government. Change, after all, is a major end in itself in most democracies. Furthermore, I asked, was it not true that the N.R.P. was closer to Gahal than to the Alignment on defence and security, and Gahal seemed closer to the N.R.P. on religion?

"There are plenty of hawks in the Labour Party," he replied. "The Prime Minister herself is by no



MICHAEL HAZANI

means a dove. As regards Gahal's religious sympathies, we have never had any help from them in religious matters. Whatever we have achieved — and we have achieved a great deal — has been through our partnership with the Labour Party. I don't know why so many Orthodox people continue to vote for Gahal. Only on 'Who is a Jew' has Herut been pro-Orthodox (and I do accept their sincerity on this). In fact, there is not much difference on religion between the old guard of Labour and the veteran Gahal membership."

Pledged

"On the other hand, we have not pledged our troth to Labour. It was we who brought Gahal into the National Unity Cabinet, you know."

Change, I think, is a desirable end — but it is in the hands of the electorate, and the Israel electorate has always been conservative."

On the 'Who is a Jew' bill, Hazani charged that Aguda's Shlomo Lorincz had done a disservice to his purported cause. The N.R.P., he explained, had contended since the Law of Return Amendment was passed in 1970, that "conversion" was an halachic term and implied, by definition, "by halacha." This was how they intended to argue if a test-case came up — and if the argument were not accepted — then they would force a crisis. But now, in writing down Mr. Lorincz's bill, the Knesset had specifically rejected that interpretation, and the argument was no longer tenable.

...and a P.S. from Burg

In a conversation I had later with Dr. Burg, the Minister of Interior, I got a more revealing look behind the N.R.P. facade. "It embarrassed us greatly," he said of the Lorincz bill and its aftermath. "I would be a fool not to admit it." He produced a wad of cables from Diaspora communities condemning his party's abstention on the bill and its subsequent abandonment of Dr. Avner Scialky to the cabinet as Deputy Education Minister for his vote in favour of the bill. Education Minister Yigal Alon's suggestion that he be merely censured won the support of Mapam's Nathan Peled, while the three N.R.P. ministers were forced to sit in silence as the suggestion was turned down.

Dr. Burg was bitterly frank about the internal party feuding. "We," he said of Lamifneh, "are fighting the battle of honesty against dishonesty."

He cited as an example the rumour put about in 1970 — by the Youth Circle, as he alleged — that he had been responsible for granting citizenship to Joe Stasher, an alleged U.S. underworld figure. "I had never heard the name Joe Stasher until June 10, 1970, when a story broke in the 'New York Times' — I was in New York at the time — about a partnership dispute between him and Aguda's Menahem Porush. 'Dr. Burg said Poalei Aguda had deliberately fed the story to the 'Times' to embarrass Aguda.' A few days later, in Zurich, I first heard of the rumour that I had granted him citizenship."

The truth was that Mr. Stasher was granted citizenship during the interregnum at the Ministry of Interior following the death of Moshe Haim Shapiro. Dr. Burg had had nothing to do with it; he became Minister after the citizenship was granted. He was the victim of a tendentious lie circulated, he believes, by his own party colleagues.

Chinese incorporate Western methods in mental therapy

By G. C. McDaniel
CHICAGO (AP). — Western techniques are used with traditional and contemporary Chinese methods to treat mental illness in China, a health worker just back from China has reported.

The combined treatments for mental illness include Western medications, traditional Chinese herbal medicines, insulin, shock and a type of group therapy involving re-education in the principles of Chinese Communist Party Chairman Mao Tse-tung, she said.

The Chinese also were very excited, she said, because they recently had found a new point in the ear for acupuncture treatment of emotional depression.

Visited facilities

The group visited medical facilities and factories in 11 cities and rural areas and talked with more than 200 Chinese including so-called "barefoot" or rural doctors, local health department officials, students, nurses, dentists, patients, health administrators and farm and factory workers.

Mrs. Murchie and her group visited a 100-bed psychiatric wing of a 600-bed general hospital. She said that through her questions, she gained the impression that the biggest mental health problem is schizophrenia, the major mental disease throughout the world.

She said in an interview: "One of the directors stated very clearly that now, because of socialism, a lot of the causes of mental disease have been eliminated."

Among the vanished mental illnesses were those resulting from malnutrition, "sex diseases" and unhappiness related to the competition in a non-socialist society, she said. There were no more than eight beds to a room in the psychiatric wing, Mrs. Murchie said. Men and women patients were separated, and there were facilities for isolation of difficult patients, she said.

The Chinese are concerned about air pollution because they are on the brink of industrial development, Mrs. Murchie said, and were eager to learn from the American health workers about what was being done in the United States to cope with the problem.

Drinking water

There is still a problem with water, she said, and all drinking water is boiled. Human waste is treated only with aeration. Apparently no chemicals or heat are used, so the incidence of viral hepatitis, a liver disease, is high, Mrs. Murchie noted.

China continues to have a problem with schistosomiasis, a disease caused by snails, which breed in irrigation canals and other waterways, Mrs. Murchie said, and an effort is being made to eliminate this.

In addition, she said, there is little malnutrition, especially compared to the high incidence before the Communists came to power.

Mrs. Murchie said dentists often assist dental nurses when they are

busy, and these nurses are allowed to perform more procedures. Sixty to 70 per cent of the dentists are women, and the Chinese are reducing the number of years required for dental training, she said.

Great emphasis is placed on tooth-brushing, and the Chinese "were very curious about our dental floss," Mrs. Murchie said.

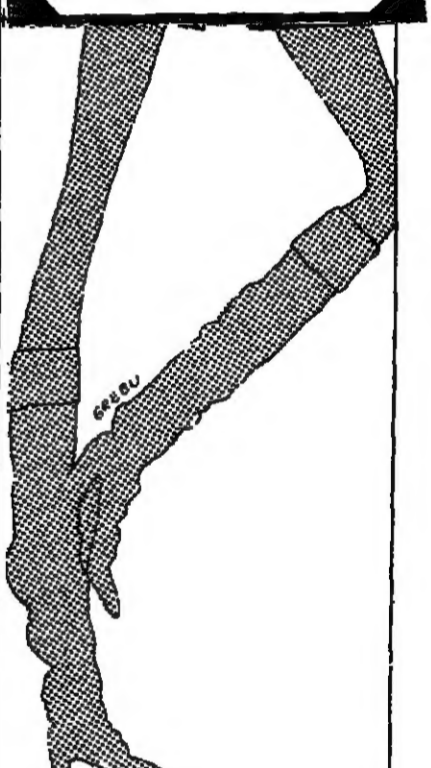
The "barefoot doctors" in rural areas are being taught to treat toothache with acupuncture, she added.

Women are admonished to wait until they are 25, and men until they are 28, to marry, and medical students cannot be married while in school, she said.

The delegation visited day-care centres and kindergartens. Chinese children were "very expressive, very happy, very open," she said. And she added, "I never saw a parent hit a child."



Let's go to the cinema



Dull Scrooge

AFTER the outstanding success of "Oliver" both as stage and screen musical it was only to be expected that another Dickens novel would be given similar treatment. So "A Christmas Carol" has become SCROOGE (Cinemarama) with music by Leslie Bricusse ("Goodbye Mr. Chips"), choreography by Paddy Stone and with Albert Finney in the title role.

Starting with Miser Scrooge counting his money on Christmas Eve the script follows the original closely, but Ronald Neame's direction is humdrum and what the whole film lacks is brio and movement and, most important, good tunes. Bricusse's music is trite and easily forgettable while none of the cast has a really good voice; Tiny Tim's effort is positively painful. The first concerted dance number shows that the choreographer might



At the Cinema

have added animation to the film if given more chance and some of the special effects are cleverly managed.

As the ghost of Jacob Marley, Scrooge's deceased partner, Alas Guinness is not very impressive and while suitably pallid, it is far too substantial, and Edith Evans makes an unfortunate appearance as the spirit of Christmas Past.

The film's one real merit is the acting of Albert Finney. He is excellent, equally good whether married he hates people, being regretful over past mistakes or giving gifts away at the end to his exploited clerk, Bob Cratchit, and family.

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Readers' letters

Jerusalem building

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post
Sir, — All these complaints one hears about the marring of the Jerusalem landscape and the building of tall skyscrapers smack of pseudo-intellectualism and pretentious folklorism par excellence. There is nothing a priori bad in a tall building. It depends on the architecture and the facilities and feeder systems the city is designing to service it. For a city with some of the worst architecture and most crowded jumble of hodge-podge anywhere in the world to complain about some of the new additions to the Jerusalem skyline reaches the extreme of absurdity.

One hears no complaints about the incredible eyesores in Katamon, the wretched architectural chaos along Herzl Boulevard and Jaffa Road, the horrendous mishmash now being constructed from the outskirts of Rehavia, Rasco, Neve Granot, Tchernikovskiy, all the way out along the valley to Kiryat Hayovel. It seems that as long as a building is no more than two, three, or four stories high or is the legacy and refuse of some hallowed period of a more pristine past where nothing whatsoever was known about architecture except that which was brought from the sky, it is beyond dispute or at least beneath the dignity of architectural skirmishing.

Bare stone on empty mountainsides is not necessarily better than the sight of human structures made by man out of that stone on the tops of these mountains. It all de-

pends on what is being built. The high-rise buildings on the slopes of French Hill upon which so much abuse has been poured are not necessarily bad. They are just plain and unimaginative. At least they are consistent and homogeneous (of the disgusting masses of villas on Givat Hamivtar). They are just as attractive as the bare-stone hilltop as it formerly stood. The skyscraper in Ommariya is not ugly, and there is no reason it should not be followed by others. It is not the height of a building that automatically determines its architectural excellence. I have heard persons in the highest circles of city government contemptuously dismissing the rose-red structure of the Truman Peace Centre, promising never to build another like it again. Though perhaps not a successful building, it is one of the few attempts in this city at originality. Let us be perfectly frank: the thing most holding back the free rein of architectural imagination in this city is the folkly and quaint ordinance, promulgated by our mandators and held on to by the more artsy-craftsy elements in our population as being sacrosanct, that all buildings should be faced by Jerusalem stone (therefore condemning them to be "squares").

Our mentors, the English, never were known for their architectural excellence, nor for that matter the free sweep of their architectural imaginations.
Dr. ROBERT H. EISENMANN
Jerusalem, July 14.

NO HIGH-RISE FOR BAYIT VEGAN

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post
Sir, — So Mr. Shragal Biran, legal adviser to the Jerusalem Building Contractors Association, is sarcastic about what he calls "sensitive souls" who object to ugly building in the Capital (July 11).

Whilst Mr. Biran agrees development should be taken regarding development around the Old City, he thinks it "absurd" to worry about the height of building in Bayit Vegan, and by implication, the rest of the New City.

What sheer nonsense! It's typical of a certain type of thinking that we worry about the image of something like the Old City, but not about the feelings of people who live in the rest of the town. For Mr. Biran's information, ugly high-rise buildings in Bayit Vegan would not just offend "motorists speeding across the valley" but much more important, would offend the local residents. Bayit Vegan offers a beautiful and picturesque view over much of the New City and only someone completely motivated by greed and profit could suggest ruining the view for the residents already there, by the erection of large ugly buildings.

The recently constructed large hotel, which has ruined the view once enjoyed by hundreds of families, is a typical example and illustrates the one point where I feel I can agree with Mr. Biran. "Namely," that large corporations seem to be able to defy building limitation with impunity. However, I suggest that because these large corporations are getting away with it, small contractors should also be allowed to do the same, is just taking a warped view of the problem. If Mr. Biran really speaks for the Contractors Association, then one shudders at the thought of what we can expect in the future "development" of Jerusalem.

With all the new area available

for building as a result of the municipality's appropriation of land following the Six Day War, why should it be necessary to designate Jerusalem by concentrated building in the centre and inner suburbs? Surely there is plenty of room to spread out, and leave at the same time the existing spaces (such as between Bayit Vegan and Beit Hakarem), which contribute so much to the charm of the city.
SHELOMO MARCUS
Jerusalem, July 11.

U.S. HIGH SCHOOL DIPLOMA

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post
Sir, — With reference to Ruth Schenfeld's letter and your comment (July 9), may I point out that an American high school graduate can apply to any college or university of his choice. There is absolutely no difference between the level of study or admission requirements of colleges and universities. The two terms merely designate structural and organizational differences. A university comprises colleges for different courses of study, whereas an independent college, a smaller unit, is composed of departments. Four years of study at any accre-

ditated American college or university result in exactly the same Bachelor of Arts or Science degrees.

Furthermore, I find thoroughly presumptuous your suggestion that an American diploma is not adequate preparation for study in Israel, when all qualified American teachers (kindergarten through high school) receive a minimum of four years preparation and a Bachelor's degree, and not the limited background of an Israeli teachers' seminar.

JACALENN FOX
Moshav Betzet, July 10.

T.A.U. PREPARATORY COURSE

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post
Sir, — I wish to refer to Miss Ruth Schenfeld's letter which appeared in your issue of July 9. No one in this University readily told her or any other candidate that an American high school diploma (academic) was worth nothing. The University fully recognizes a graduation certificate issued by an accredited American high school, as every other certificate giving evidence of a candidate's secondary education.

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JACOB RAWRAWAY
Academic Secretary,
Tel Aviv University
Tel Aviv, July 11.

VISIT TO DUBROVNIK

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post
Sir, — I enjoyed Mark Segal's account of his cruise on the S.S. Hermes which stopped among other places at Dubrovnik, Yugoslavia (July 7). My daughter and I and a friend were in Dubrovnik on a Friday night in June, just a few weeks ago. With the help of a little map, we found the synagogue on the "Street of the Jews," just a few doors in from the main thoroughfare of the walled city. We attended a beautiful service, along with about a dozen other Jewish tourists. A few families are left and they worship regularly. The congregation is the third oldest in the world, they said, and the Tura which they showed us is from the sixth century. The sanctuary is beautiful — you go up a flight of steps to get to it. They have a rug which Queen Isabella gave her

physician, a member of the congregation, but they use it only on the High Holy Days. Enrico Fermi, the scientist, came from the town, they told us. They sang with great enthusiasm and we were happy to have found them.
MRS. SHIRLEY RAPOPORT
Rishon Lezion, July 14.

BANK CHARGES

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post
Sir, — May I draw your attention to a problem which concerns almost all of us — the exorbitant fees the banks charge for services. Here is an example: On a Tamam deposit of D.M. 6,000 the interest is 4.5 per cent, or D.M. 240. On this, the bank charges 11.50, which represents almost 10 per cent of the interest.
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Rothschild Prize laureates 1971



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PROFESSOR Aharon Katchalsky-Katzir, who died in the May 30 Lod Airport massacre, was the posthumous recipient of one of the five Rothschild Prizes for 1971, awarded last night in a ceremony at the Knesset. The other winners of the IL18,000 prizes for outstanding achievements in science and scholarship were Prof. Igal Talmi (Physics), Prof. Ze'ev Ben-Haim (Jewish Studies), Prof. Yair Mundlak (Agriculture) and Prof. Yehoshua Prawer (Humanities).

The panel of judges cited Prof. Katzir, who headed the Weizmann Institute's Polymer Department at the time of his death, for his original theoretical and experimental contributions to the study of polyelectrolytes, mechanochemistry, membrane theory and thermodynamics. Prof. Katzir had served as president of the Israel National Academy of Sciences and Humanities, and was awarded the Israel Prize in the exact sciences for 1961.

The contributions of another Weizmann Institute professor, Igal Talmi, have become classic material in the field of nuclear physics, he Rothschild judges said in their award citation. Prof. Talmi, who heads the Institute's department of nuclear physics and is dean of its Physics Faculty, shared an Israel Prize in 1965 with the late Amos de-Shalit.

The Jewish Studies laureate, Prof. Ze'ev Ben-Haim, received an Israel Prize in 1964. Prof. Ben-Haim, who is 85, is Professor of Hebrew Language at the Hebrew University and for the past 10 years has served as vice-president of the Hebrew Language Academy. The Rothschild Prize is awarded to Prof. Ben-Haim for his

Samaritan studies, including his "Literary and Oral Tradition of Hebrew and Aramaic among the Samaritans."

Prof. Yair Mundlak, the Dean of the Hebrew University's Agriculture Faculty at Rehovot, received his prize for research in agricultural economics and econometrics. The 45-year-old professor is a consultant to the World Bank and has taught at several American universities.

The Humanities prize went to Hebrew University Prof. Yehoshua Prawer, 55, for his work on the history of the Crusades including his books "The History of the Latin Kingdom of Jerusalem" and "The Latin Kingdom of Jerusalem — Medieval Colonialism." Dr. Prawer, who is Professor of History at the Jerusalem University, was this year re-elected chairman of the humanities section of the National Academy of Sciences and Humanities. He received the Israel Prize in humanities in 1969.

In a speech prepared for delivery at yesterday evening's prize-award ceremony, the Hon. Jacob Rothschild, son of Lord (Dr. Victor) Rothschild, thanked Professor Gershon Scholem and the other members of the board of the Rothschild Prizes Organization for their work in selecting the recipients.

He went on to say that the definition of a specialist as someone who knows more and more about less and less until he knows everything about nothing "is hardly apposite in Israel where I have found more people than in any other country who are capable of doing two, three or more things, apparently at the same time and with the expertise appropriate to each of them. Perhaps it is this ability to turn their hands to so many things that has enabled the Israel people to build up this unique and extraordinary country which is a source of pride to them and admiration and inspiration to others."

Mr. Rothschild spoke of the shadow of the tragedy of Aharon Katchalsky-Katzir, "a friend of my father and someone respected throughout the world, not only for his scientific achievements, to which we pay tribute today, but for his intelligence, creativity in the widest sense of the word, and for his character and humour which made him as good an ambassador for Israel as one could hope for. All this is no consolation to Mrs. Katchalsky-Katzir but perhaps he did not die in vain because the world's reaction to that senseless and malignant exhibition of brutality at Lod Airport may, I hope, have some effect of a deterrent nature in the future."

"The contrast between that insane destruction and the constructive intelligence which is such a feature of Israel today becomes more and more marked and I have confidence that it is intelligence, sense and humanity which in the long run will win through."

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CAIRO (AP) — Archaeologists have unearthed a 23-century-old Greek City, 1,500 silver coins and several Greek-scratched clay tablets in an oasis southwest of Cairo, the Department of Antiquities announced last week.

The city, known as Karnis, was buried some 30 metres under sand-dunes in Fayoum, an oasis 100 kilometres from Cairo. It is composed of dozens of mud-brick, two-storey houses and two temples dedicated to the crocodile-god, said the announcement.

The tablets bear inscriptions dealing with life in the city. The coins date back to the time of the Roman Emperors Nero, Claudius and Diocletianus.

RACE — Eddy Merckx of Belgium yesterday won the Tour de France bicycle race for the fourth time. Merckx broke the all-time record of three consecutive times shared by himself and Jacques Anquetil of France.

Children may get 'thinking' lessons

By PETER WILBY

LONDON (Otns). — BRITISH children may soon have "thinking" as a subject on their school timetable, alongside mathematics, history and geography. A research organization in Cambridge has just received a grant of over £25,000 from one of Britain's leading charities, the Leverhulme Trust Fund, to explore the feasibility of teaching "thinking" as a distinct subject in its own right to all children from five to 18.

The research organization, called the Cognitive Research Trust, says: "At the moment, education teaches a variety of subjects, and training the mind is a by-product. 'The proposed subject of 'thinking' will concentrate deliberately and directly on the thinking process.'"

But the Trust does not envisage thinking being taught in its purely orthodox, logical sense. Thinking, it says, will be much broader in scope than mathematics, which is best at dealing with well-defined and measurable situations. Mrs. Audrey Davies, the general secretary, said: "We tend to think nowadays in a more or less logical or vertical way. You have to be right at each stage in order to make further progress on a problem. But it is sometimes a barrier to be right, because this blocks off further thought about a problem. We want to get away from the belief that all questions should have a Yes or No answer. We want to tap the creativity of children's thoughts rather than whether they know sets of facts."

The director of the Trust is Dr. Edward de Bono, a 39-year-old Cambridge medical doctor, who has written several books on what he calls "lateral thinking". Instead of following traditional, logical steps of reasoning, the lateral thinker tries to approach a problem from the unconventional "disruptive" angle, abandoning accepted concepts. His thought may include completely illogical ideas just to see what happens.

What are the uses of lateral thinking? As an example, de Bono quotes the problem of dirty streets. The conventional answer is to use more men and better equipment to clean them. De Bono's "lateral" suggestion is to add more litter to the streets. If paper leaves, with particular colours for particular dates, were scattered around the streets, the local council could check how regularly and how efficiently the streets were being cleaned. On this basis an incentive scheme for the workers could be operated.

De Bono points out that mathematics and logic can deal only with ready-made ideas. "It is only after we have got some ideas" he writes "that we can be critical and selective. You have to have a rose-bush before you can prune it. If you start applying pruning techniques to the seedling you will never get anywhere."

"In this first stage one needs the generative techniques of lateral thinking, not the selective techniques of vertical thinking."

Recently, he invited children at a Cambridgeshire junior school to design dog-exercising machines. He then published the fascinating range of results, which involved robots, towing vehicles, conveyor belts, treadmills, parks and gymnastiums, and even machines which apparently allowed exercise without movement through a simple straining of the dog's muscles.

Now, de Bono's ideas are being



Something to think about. But do they know how? At a Jerusalem high school.

tried out in the classroom by a group of teachers, who attend weekly seminars under his leadership. As well as asking the children to design new machines (for weighing elephants, for example) the teachers invite them to modify existing machines. How could a wheelbarrow or a bicycle be adapted specially for a postman's use? Others have asked children to think up ways of solving conflicts — between Protestants and Roman Catholics, or between cats and dogs. One child's solution to the latter was to put the two animals in neighbouring cages and to install a lever that enabled each to feed only when the other pressed it.

De Bono believes that children are better than adults at lateral thinking. They are not aware of how things should be done; and they are unused to such restrictions as cost, economy of effort

and simplicity in design. Where an adult would throw out an idea because it was silly, the child might exploit it until it became useful. "Silliness is a judgment based on limited knowledge," he adds.

The Cognitive Research Trust hopes that ultimately all subjects will be taught through the medium of "thinking". In history and geography, instead of just learning facts, children would look at situations in various ways. Many modern teachers, particularly in junior schools, have already adopted this type of approach. The computer, they argue, can do logical thinking faster and more efficiently than a human being. But it cannot think imaginatively or creatively, and education should, therefore, now concentrate on stimulating this other type of thinking. And, as Mrs. Davies points out, information in the modern world is easily available from all sorts of sources.

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SEVING: Can be served as hors-d'oeuvre or main course together with boiled potatoes or vegetables.

Cod oriental style

INGREDIENTS: 1 packet Frionor Cod 450 grams, 1 green pepper, 1 pimento, 2 tomatoes, 1 onion, 3 cloves garlic, a little tomato puree, 2 cups Samion white wine, 1 kg potatoes, black and green olives, salt, pepper and lemon.

PREPARATION: Put the fish in a marinade of salt, pepper and lemon juice and leave in refrigerator for an hour. In the meantime peel the potatoes, cut into slices and half cook in salty water. Grease a form or pyrex dish, arrange potatoes in it and the fish on top of them. Sprinkle the finely cubed vegetables over the fish together with the pitted olives. Pour the wine over the whole dish adding salt and pepper. Cover with greaseproof paper and bake for 25 minutes.

Saithe à la femme fatale

INGREDIENTS: 1 packet Frionor Saithe 1/2 bottle Carmel Hook, 1 onion, 1/2 tin of mushrooms, a little flour, salt, white pepper, 1 lemon, 50 grams margarine.

PREPARATION: Grease form or pyrex dish with margarine, arrange the Saithe slices inside, chop the onion and mushrooms into small cubes and sprinkle over the fish. Pour the Carmel Hook and lemon juice over the fish, add salt and pepper to taste and cover with greaseproof paper. Bake for 15 minutes. Prepare batter from the flour, margarine and fish sauce. Pour this batter over the fish and return dish to the oven or grill until it is golden brown.

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Aharon Yadlin reacts to Ben-Aharon 'family' attack

Jerusalem Post Political Reporter
L. AVIV. — Another Yadlin — Labour Party Secretary-General Aharon Yadlin — has taken issue with the personal tone used by Histadrut Secretary-General Yitzhak Ben-Aharon in his polemic.

Replying to questions from Labour Party members at the Moshav Movement meeting here, Mr. Yadlin said no one questioned Mr. Ben-Aharon's right to shake the Labour Party as long as the discussions are on a civilized level.

During the ensuing discussions, Moshav leaders told Mr. Yadlin (a member of Kibbutz Hatzarim), that for too long the Ministry of Agriculture has been the Kibbutz Movement's ball and chain.



SPRUCE UP. — Heat, dust and intensive manoeuvres don't stop army commanders from demanding that their men conform to regulations. This soldier is getting his hair cut in the middle of the Judean Desert.

Hebrew U's final stand: No hotel on Mt. Scopus

By ABRAHAM RABINOVICH
Jerusalem Post Reporter
Two years after ceding the university's rights to a 50-dunam site on Mount Scopus for the construction of a hotel, Hebrew University President Avraham Harman has officially reversed his stand.

In his letter last month to Mr. Surkis, Mr. Harman said no attempt whatsoever had been made to coordinate the plans for the hotel with that of the university campus alongside it.

In a letter sent last month to the chairman of the Knesset's Interior Committee, Mr. Mordechai Surkis, Mr. Harman said no hotel should be built on the site, for which the Yitzhak Corporation has proposed a 23-story building.

At the press conference, Prof. Haim Barzil, chairman of the Programme Committee for the campus being developed on Mount Scopus, Prof. Barzil and other university officials suggested that some non-commercial public building be constructed on the site.

Labour pool dries up in occupied areas

Jerusalem Post Economic Correspondent
There is no longer a pool of unemployed Arabs in the occupied territories to supply labour for Israel. Last year the number of workers crossing the Green Line increased by 13,200.

Job-seekers are tempted by the higher wages offered in Israel. The daily rate averaged IL13.10 in 1970 and IL15 in 1971, net of tax and social benefits — as against IL6.40 in 1970, and IL8 in 1971.

Industrial employment fell slightly in the areas, despite the fact that more Arabs were engaged daily on sub-contracting jobs for Israeli firms. Building workers decreased in number from 8,000 to 5,000.

Mr. Amir stressed, however, that he gross national product in the Arab areas keeps rising. "More output with less hands means better productivity," he said.

Goren to Rumania for Rabbi Rosen's 60th birthday

Jerusalem Post Reporter
TEL AVIV. — Tel Aviv's Ashkenazi Chief Rabbi, Aluf (res.) Shlomo Goren, is leaving for Rumania tomorrow to represent Israel at the 60th birthday celebrations of Rumania's Chief Rabbi, Dr. Moshe Rosen.

Rabbi Goren was invited to Rumania by the Jewish community of Bucharest, which is sponsoring the celebrations, as well as by Rabbi Rosen himself.

Mr. Goren will take part in this Saturday's services at Bucharest's famed Coral Synagogue and will deliver the main sermon there.

Mr. Seidel met immigrants on their way here when he visited Vienna last week. A third of the prospective immigrants come from Baltic states, another third from Central Russia and the Ukraine, and a third from Georgia.

Lifeguard held for smoking hash with minors

AIFA. — A swimming pool lifeguard was charged yesterday with possession of hashish and enticing minors to smoke the drug.

No bail despite hungry horse

TEL AVIV. — A man with a criminal record, arrested by police in Or Yehuda Friday night for loitering, made an unusual request in Magistrate's Court yesterday: he asked to be released on bail since no one but he can feed his horse, who bites and kicks.

Deputy mayor caught with dollars at Lod

LOD AIRPORT. — The sum of \$2,300 in cash was reportedly confiscated by customs police during the weekend from Rehovot's Deputy Mayor, Ben Zion Zanaani, as he was about to leave for Europe.

Kiev scientist arrives with wife, children

LOD AIRPORT. — A large group of Soviet Jewish immigrants — about half of them from Georgia — arrived here yesterday by El Al from Vienna.

'Dirty' restaurant ordered closed down

The Health Ministry has ordered the closure of the Acre restaurant and cafe Neve Argaman, for violations of sanitation regulations, the Ministry spokesman announced yesterday in Jerusalem.

Green light for purchase of third 'jumbo'

Jerusalem Post Reporter
The Ministerial Economic Committee yesterday approved the purchase of a third Boeing 747 jumbo jet for El Al. The plane, which costs \$30.5m, including accessories, will be in Israel by spring next year.

Israel's help asked in battling beach pollution

HAIFA. — A neighbouring Mediterranean country, with which Israel has no diplomatic ties, has asked Israel through a U.N. agency for know-how on methods of dealing with the pollution of beaches.

'Wait till Dad gets his hands on you'

A young man who talked his way out of a speeding ticket by telling a policeman that he was on his way to his father's funeral was stopped again a few hours later — with his father alive and well beside him.

Dostrovsky to int'l atomic advisory post

Professor Israel Dostrovsky, vice-president of the Weizmann Institute, has been elected to serve on the Scientific Advisory Committee of the International Atomic Energy Agency in Vienna. It was announced in Jerusalem yesterday.

Corpse found in Ramat Gan flat

Jerusalem Post Reporter
TEL AVIV. — A corpse which was found in a Ramat Gan apartment on Saturday night, in an advance state of decay, was identified yesterday as the body of David Idelman, 23, a returning resident from the U.S.

Two men competing for 'Miss Israel Typist' title

Jerusalem Post Reporter
TEL AVIV. — Two men are among the 202 contestants competing for the title "Miss Israel Typist-1972." This is the third such contest sponsored by the Histadrut's Clerical and Public Employee's Union, offering as first prize a round-trip plane ticket to Europe. The local competitions started yesterday.

Share prices rise in active trading

Jerusalem Post Financial Reporter
TEL AVIV. — Share prices moved up in active trading yesterday. Turnover was IL3,121,500 worth of shares, of which IL1,428,400 was in the variables. The increase in turnover was partly caused by a long weekend, but analysts believe that the "peace offensive" by Egypt had a positive effect on the mood of investors.

Soviet scientist 'kidnapped' after meeting Israeli

LOD AIRPORT. — A top Soviet geneticist, Juarez Medvedev, who was "kidnapped" by the secret police in Kiev on July 2, on the eve of the opening of the International Gerontology Congress, had met for a long talk with an Israeli scientist one day before he disappeared.

Reports of car insurance hikes said 'premature'

By ERNIE MEYER
Jerusalem Post Reporter
Radio and press announcements yesterday that the Insurance Commissioner and the companies had agreed on a cumulative 30 per cent premium increase for drivers under 24 with less than one year of experience were apparently premature.

The insurance companies want to be safeguarded against this type of risk by having older drivers undertake their policies not to allow any other person — including members of their families — to drive their vehicle. All policy-holders not willing to undertake this should pay the 30 per cent increase in premiums, the companies demand.

Judy Shapiro denied entry into Russia

NEW YORK (UPI). — Judy Silver Shapiro, the American who married a Soviet Jew in June and then was forced to leave the Soviet Union without him, said Saturday she has been informed she will never be allowed to return to Russia.

Seidel: 100,000 Russians want to come to Israel

Jerusalem Post Reporter
TEL AVIV. — Mr. Hillel Seidel, head of the Absorption Department of the Histadrut, told the Central Committee yesterday that 100,000 Russians Jews expect to emigrate to Israel.

Ma'abara families win housing fight

Jerusalem Post Reporter
HAIFA. — Forty-five families who have lived for years at the Kiryat Haim West ma'abara will leave their asbestos huts in a week and move into new homes in their neighbourhood. The flats were built by the Housing Ministry and allotted to them by the City Housing Committee yesterday.

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Or Yehuda doesn't want any more olim

OR YEHUDA. — The residents of this township near Tel Aviv — which was an immigrant ma'abara in the early 1950s — have told the Absorption Ministry that they do not want any more new immigrants.

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SHAZAR VISITS LAZAR IN HOSPITAL

President Zalman Shazar yesterday evening visited Rabbi David Lazar (the "Nazir"), who is lying in the Shaare Zedek Hospital in Jerusalem. The two men have been friends since their student days in Izerland.

Corpse found in Ramat Gan flat

Jerusalem Post Reporter
TEL AVIV. — A corpse which was found in a Ramat Gan apartment on Saturday night, in an advance state of decay, was identified yesterday as the body of David Idelman, 23, a returning resident from the U.S.

Two men competing for 'Miss Israel Typist' title

Jerusalem Post Reporter
TEL AVIV. — Two men are among the 202 contestants competing for the title "Miss Israel Typist-1972." This is the third such contest sponsored by the Histadrut's Clerical and Public Employee's Union, offering as first prize a round-trip plane ticket to Europe. The local competitions started yesterday.

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Two girl hijackers go on trial Aug. 1

Jerusalem Post Reporter
ZEFIRIN. — The military trial is to open here on August 1 of two women terrorists charged on four counts in connection with the hijacking of a Sabena airliner on May 8.

Theresa Halasch, 18, whose family lives in Acre, and Rima Issa famous are to be charged on four counts relating to the seizure of the Belgian aircraft en route to Israel, where it was held at Lod Airport for 23 hours before it was stormed and freed by Israeli soldiers.

They will be tried in the same courtroom where Kozo Okamoto was last week sentenced to life for his part in the Lod Airport massacre on May 30.

The Chief of Staff is expected to appoint the three-man bench within the next few days. Chief Army Prosecutor Sgan-Aluf David Israel is to call 18 witnesses, including the captain of the hijacked Boeing 707, Reginald Levy.

In the charge sheet, published yesterday by the army spokesman, the two accused are charged with membership in a group that committed offences concerned with weapons and explosive charges, under Regulation 58(d) of the Defence (Emergency) Regulations, 1945: bearing weapons and explosives; laying a bomb with the intention of causing death or injury to people or damage to property; and membership in an illegal organization, the Fatah.

Fatah brothers from Nablus get 12, 10 years

NABLUS. — Two young brothers from Nablus, described by a military court here as having been the "moving spirit" behind one of the largest Fatah cells in the West Bank, were sentenced to 12 and 10 year jail sentences yesterday.

The elder brother, Ziad Saradi, 22, who received the longer sentence, recruited his brother, Ahd, 20, into the organization. Together they were responsible for a series of terrorist acts in the Nablus area in 1970. These included grenade attacks on a tourist bus, the local labour exchange and two high schools. The prosecutor, David Shakred, said their purpose was to paralyze the city's schools and business activities.

Both accused pleaded guilty and asked for clemency, saying they regretted their deeds. In his plea, Ziad quoted a statement by Police Minister Shimon Hillel that Israel "does not put people in jail for reasons of revenge."

Three local Arabs were wounded in one of the cell's sabotage acts. Another defendant, a 42-year-old cobbler named Sa'ad Amer, who recruited Ziad into the Fatah, was sentenced to 30 months' imprisonment for possession of hand grenades and recruiting people into a hostile organization. (INM)

Alignment body to work on halting inflation

Jerusalem Post Political Reporter
TEL AVIV. — The Alignment's Economic Committee last night appointed a sub-committee consisting of the trade union leadership, to thrash out proposals for checking inflationary trends.

Contrary to what had been expected, there was no clash between Finance Minister Pinhas Sapir and Secretary-General Yitzhak Ben-Aharon. The latter did not raise the call for a "war economy."

Spokesmen made it known that they will not begin to talk about automatic increases in the Cost-of-Living allowances until the figures on price increases come in for the months of July and August.

Mental patient hangs himself

A 67-year-old male patient in the Ezraa Nashim mental hospital in Jerusalem committed suicide by hanging himself, it was learned yesterday.

Police are investigating the incident. No other details were available last night. (INM)

Man, 61, run over by jeep

TEL AVIV. — A 61-year-old man from Bat Yam, Pinhas Karpot, was killed Saturday morning when he was run over by a jeep at Rehov Habistadrut in Holon. The driver of the jeep, a resident of Herzliya, was detained for questioning.

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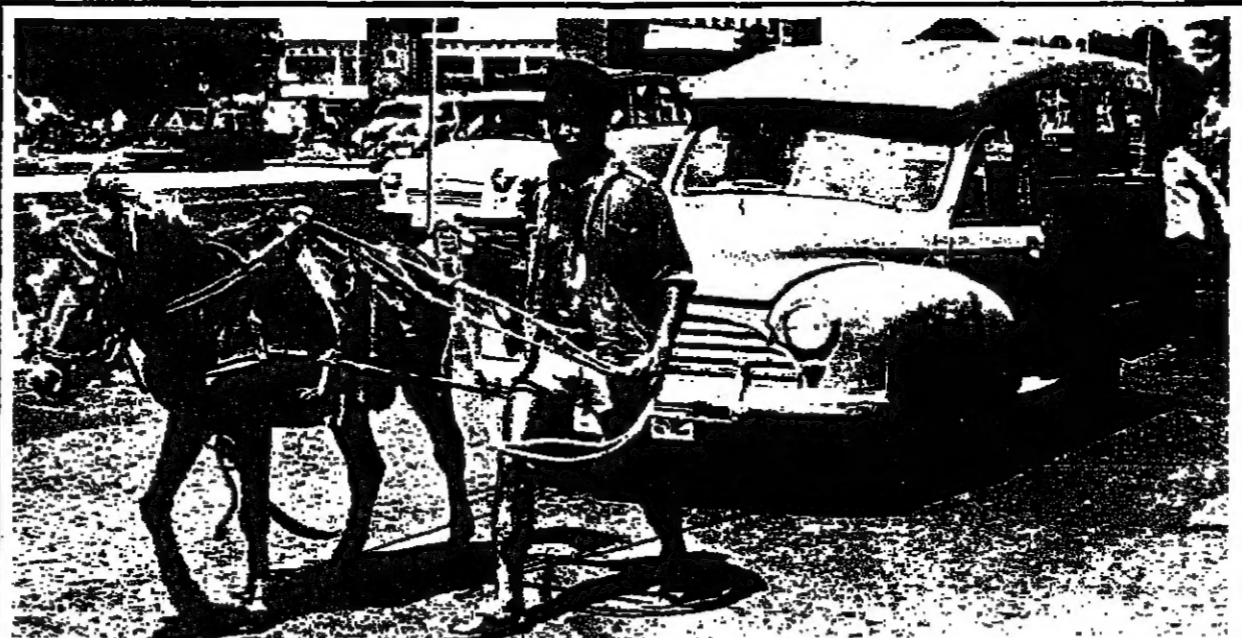
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ONE HORSE POWER. — This driver ran out of fuel on a Tel Aviv street. His solution: harness a horse to the vehicle. (Israel Sun)

Emma Berger denies she's buying property

HAIFA. — Mr. Rudolf Gottschalk, the lawyer representing German Christian set leader Emma Berger in Israel, yesterday denied reports that he had conducted negotiations to buy 240 dunams of fishponds near Zichron Ya'acov.

Mr. Gottschalk also denied other reports that "final negotiations" were taking place on other property in Israel, or that Mrs. Berger was about to acquire property and houses in Jerusalem or its environs. (INM)

JA'ABARI GETS MESSAGE FROM JORDAN P.M.

Jerusalem Post Arab Affairs Reporter
Hebron Mayor Mohammed Ali Ja'abari yesterday received a message from the Jordanian Premier, Ahmad Lawzi. The contents of the message were not disclosed.

The message was carried from Amman by the chairman of the Jordan Journalists Association, Mr. Arafa Hijazi, who will be staying in Hebron for several days. The Jerusalem Post learned.

Ministers adopt report on streamlining oil industry

Jerusalem Post Reporter
The Ministerial Economic Committee yesterday adopted the recommendations of a special committee set up by the Treasury to examine the oil-prospecting and oil-producing policies in Israel. The report was ordered by Finance Minister Pinhas Sapir last August in the wake of revelations of waste and duplicity in the Israeli oil industry.

All recommendations in the report will have to be implemented within the next six months. The committee, headed by Mr. Ya'acov Sulman, head of the Government Authority, recommended that all drilling equipment currently in the ownership of producing companies (such as Lapidot-Naphtia, Makrot and the Geophysical Institute) be handed over to an independent drilling company which would act as a contractor for the various producing companies. The move was made after it was found that, under the current situation, more rigs were being maintained by the various companies than could ever be used, and that the Government was actually paying companies nearly IL2,000 per day not to use the rigs for excessive drilling in order to justify their existence.

Israel branch of Amnesty Int'l to be set up

Jerusalem Post Reporter
TEL AVIV. — A provisional committee to establish an official Israel branch of Amnesty International was founded here yesterday. Deputy Mayor Aharon Meltzer of Tel Aviv is to chair the five-man committee.

Mr. Rick Intrator of the Amnesty International Secretariat, who is currently in Israel on a private visit, was present at the meeting, which was held at the home of Mrs. Edith Rojansky, Honorary Consul of Monaco.

Amnesty is a voluntary association whose aim is "to ensure for every person the right to freely hold and express his convictions and to work for the release of conscientious objectors and other prisoners of conscience throughout the world."

A Haifa branch of Amnesty International, headed by Mrs. Bella Havin, has been active for years, with the participation of Justice Haim Cohn of the Supreme Court. This branch, however, has not been recognized as a "national" branch. The Jerusalem Post was told.

The founding meeting of the Israeli branch will be held on December 10, Human Rights Day. Mrs. Rojansky will represent Israel at the forthcoming meeting of Amnesty International in Utrecht in September.

Members of the provisional committee include Mrs. Herta Arday and Messrs. Dan Ahizer, Daniel Jacobson and Moshe Barnea.

Strike today in candy industry

Jerusalem Post Reporter
TEL AVIV. — The Manufacturers Association yesterday announced it was prepared to sustain "several months" of a strike scheduled to begin today in the sweets industry. Mr. Zalman Suszyeff, head of the labour relations department of the Association, told the manufacturers' executive committee that the demands of the Histadrut-supported workers in the dispute are "far and above" the terms of any of the wage contracts signed in industry in recent months.

The manufacturers oppose the workers' profit-sharing demand.

Israel rejects complaints by KLM, Schmelzer on flights

Jerusalem Post Reporter
Israel yesterday rejected complaints by the Dutch Government and its national airline over Israel's refusal to allow KLM more landings here.

The head of the Israel Civil Aviation Department, Mr. Naftali Ben-Yehuda, told The Jerusalem Post that KLM has been exploiting unfairly the possibility available to airlines of getting extra landing rights on special occasions, when there is unusual pressure of bookings from their own nationals.

"We discovered that these extra flights, allowed under special sections, are not for their own nationals, but primarily for American tourists arriving from New York to Amsterdam. The plane's flight number is changed, and it proceeds to Lod, expecting landing rights."

"We consider that four flights a week (the fourth granted only this month) are sufficient for the genuine Dutch passenger traffic — and we have told them so," Mr. Ben-Yehuda concluded.

He was reacting to a statement by Dutch Foreign Minister Norbert Schmelzer on Friday, that he was "seriously concerned and disappointed" at Israel's refusal to allow an increased number of KLM flights to land at Lod Airport.

On July 1 Israel increased KLM's landing rights from three to four times a week, and the Dutch promised aid in obtaining permission from the Dutch Antilles Government for El Al to land on its Latin American routes. El Al has not yet received this authorization.

Mr. Schmelzer said the Israeli aviation authorities' attitude is likely to influence Dutch public opinion regarding Israel. Israel's prohibition of these flights has inconvenienced hundreds of tourists and has caused a great deal of ill feeling, he said.

Thousands make pilgrimage to Elijah's Cave

HAIFA. — Thousands of men, women and children yesterday made the pilgrimage to the cave of the Prophet Elijah on the slope of Mt. Carmel, where the fugitive prophet is said to have sought shelter from the wrath of King Ahab and Queen Jezebel.

The pilgrimage, observed by the Oriental and Sephardi Jewish communities, is made on the first Sunday following the fast of Tish'a Be'Av.

Many of the pilgrims yesterday pitched their tents on the hillside and on the nearby seashore, turning the area into a gigantic picnic ground, with improved singing, dancing, games and cook-outs.

In the afternoon, a procession of Sephardi Jews carrying Torah scrolls wended their way from the city to Elijah's Cave. (INM)

Income Tax 'sanctions'

A dispute that has been brewing for some time in the Income Tax Department flared up yesterday, with a decision by the workers' committee to apply "sanctions" (which means a slowdown in the work of the department).

The issue is about overtime pay during the final quarter of the last fiscal year. Because a big extra effort was made at the time (necessary also to make up for lost time during a labour dispute in March), a bipartite committee ruled that the workers should receive 80 hours of overtime pay for each of the three months January-March of this year.

But Finance Minister Pinhas Sapir has not yet given his consent, for fear that it might be a precedent for other departments. This delay is behind the present unrest, official sources stated last night.

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